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SUBJ: NIGERIAN PETROLEUM OFFICIAL TO VISIT US

1. MANAGING DIRECTOR MOBIL INFORMS US THAT CHIEF M. O. FEYIDE, DIRECTOR PETROLEUM RESOURCES MINISTRY OF MINES AND POWER, VISITING US MAY 21 THROUGH 31. PROGRAM FOR VISIT BEING ARRANGED BY MOBIL AND WILL INCLUDE VISITS TO MOBIL HEADQUARTERS AND MOBIL FACILITIES IN TEXAS AND ELSEWHERE IN US. FEYIDE HAS ALSO ASKED MOBIL TO ARRANGE MEETINGS WITH VARIOUS US GOVT OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON. HE WILL BE ACCOMPANIED IN US BY CHIEF BAYO KUKU, ONE OF

DIRECTORS OF MOBIL'S NIGERIAN SUBSIDIARY. FEYIDE AND KUKU PLAN ARRIVE NEW YORK FROM LONDON MAY 21 ON PAA 101. AFTER US, FEYIDE WILL PROCEED FOR VISIT TO JAPAN AND PROBABLY OTHER ASIAN COUNTRIES.

2. FEYIDE IS SECOND ONLY TO ASIODU AMONG NIGERIAN CIVIL SERVANTS CONCERNED WITH PETROLEUM AFFAIRS. THIS WILL BE FEYIDE'S FIRST VISIT TO US SINCE TEN- DAY VISIT IN 1964 EXCEPT FOR STOP- OVER ON WAY TO MEXICO IN 1967. THIS IS RARE OPPORTUNITY EXPOSE FEYIDE TO PETROLEUM TECHNOLOGY
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AND DEVELOPMENTS IN US AND TO USG VIEWS ON VARIOUS ASPECTS OF CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS INDUSTRY AND IMPORTS. IF MOBIL'S NEW YORK OFFICE HAS NOT ALREADY APPROACHED DEPT, WE SUGGEST DEPT OFFER ITS SERVICES TO OFFICE OF ALEX MASSAD IN ARRANGING APPOINTMENTS IN WASHINGTON.

3. EMBASSY WILL CONFIRM FEYIDE TRAVEL PLANS IN ORDER FACILITATE ENTRY NEW YORK.
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